Child Pornography Earns Guilty Plea

(KAIR)--A Leavenworth County man pleads guilty to producing child pornography.

U.S. Attorney Tom Beall says that happened Tuesday, in federal court, where 26-year-old Bradley Hilt entered the plea to one count of producing child pornography and one count of distributing child pornography.

The Linwood resident, in his plea, admitted that a forensic examination of his computer revealed more than 18,000 still images of child pornography and 135 videos.

Prosecutors say one of the videos was produce by Hilt and involved a girl 5 to 7 years old.

According to a press release from Beall, law enforcement launched an investigation after an FBI task force member discovered images online that Hilt was allegedly sharing with other users on an peer-to-peer network.

Beall says an agreement leads to the recommended punishment of 15-years in federal prison.

Sentencing for Hilt will be at a later date.

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